



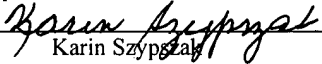
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**In re United States Patent Application of:****Applicants:** MATO DE LA PAZ, Jose
Maria, et al.**Application No.:** 10/540,212**Date Filed:** June 15, 2005**Title:** METHOD OF DIAGNOSING
NON-ALCOHOLIC
STEATOHEPATITIS (NASH)
USING MOLECULAR
MARKERS**Docket No.:** 4258-112**Conf. No.:** 5253**Art Unit:** 1614**Examiner:** 5253**Customer No.:****23448****EXPRESS MAIL CERTIFICATE**

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**RESPONSE TO NOVEMBER 15, 2005 NOTIFICATION OF MISSING
REQUIREMENTS IN U.S. PATENT APPLICATION NO. 10/540,212**

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Sir:

In response to the November 15, 2005 Notification of Missing Requirements in above-identified
U.S. patent application, enclosed and submitted herewith are fully translated drawings, labeled
"Replacement Sheet," for FIGS. 1-6 (5 sheets), for the above-identified U.S. patent application

(Appendix A), and a replacement copy of Page 24 of the English translation of International Publication WO 2004/055520, to which claims 15 and 16 were inadvertently added at the time of entry into the U.S. national phase (Appendix B), together a Credit Card Form authorizing the amount of \$130.00, for payment of the applicable U.S. Patent and Trademark Office surcharge.

Please enter the replacement sheets of drawings in the application, in substitution for the original drawings submitted therein.

Request is made for the replacement of page 24 and page 25 of the English translation with the replacement page 24 enclosed in Appendix B hereof. A Preliminary Amendment setting out all claims 1-16 in form complying with 37 CFR 1.121 is enclosed in Appendix C hereof.

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The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Copy of the International Application filed on 06/15/2005
- English Translation of the IA filed on 06/15/2005
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 06/15/2005
- Copy of IPE Report filed on 06/15/2005
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 06/15/2005
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- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 06/15/2005
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 06/15/2005
- Priority Documents filed on 06/15/2005

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The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Translation of the application into English. The current translation of the application into English is defective as described below. Note a processing fee will be required if submitted later than 30 months from the priority date.
 - The text in the drawings has not been properly translated.
 - The number of claims in the International Application and the number of claims in the translation are not the same.
- Processing fee for providing the translation of the application and/or the Annexes later than 30 months from the priority date (37 CFR 1.492(i)).

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is **\$130** for a Large Entity:

- \$130 for English translation surcharge required.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

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